

## IN THE CLAIMS

- 1A. (Currently Amended) A ballistic barrier preventing penetration by a foreign body in combination with an outer shell of an aircraft, the outer shell defining the interior of the aircraft, the ballistic barrier in combination with the outer shell comprising:

at least one layer of fabric disposed in the interior of the aircraft, wherein the at least one layer of fabric is capable of absorbing kinetic energy of the foreign body, the at least one layer of fabric being substantially positioned towards the interior of the aircraft with respect to the outer shell and at a finite distance away from the outer shell, and wherein the at least one layer of fabric is not woven and is composed of one or more ballistic material selected from a group consisting of aramid, polyethylene and phenylenebenzole.

- 1B. (Currently Amended) A ballistic barrier preventing penetration by a foreign body in combination with an outer shell of an aircraft, the outer shell defining the interior of the aircraft, the ballistic barrier in combination with the outer shell comprising:

at least one layer of fabric disposed in the interior of the aircraft, wherein the at least one layer of fabric is capable of absorbing kinetic energy of the foreign body, the at least one layer of fabric being substantially positioned towards the interior of the aircraft with respect to the outer shell and at a finite distance away from the outer shell, and wherein the at least one layer of fabric is composed of one or more ballistic material selected from a group consisting of aramid, polyethylene and phenylenebenzole, and wherein the at least one layer of fabric includes at least two plies and wherein one of the plies is felt.

- 1C. (Currently Amended) A ballistic barrier preventing penetration by a foreign body in combination with an outer shell of an aircraft, the outer shell defining the interior of the aircraft, the ballistic barrier in combination with the outer shell comprising:

at least one layer of fabric disposed in the interior of the aircraft, wherein the at least one layer of fabric is capable of absorbing kinetic energy of the foreign body, the at least one layer of fabric being substantially positioned towards the interior of the aircraft with respect to the outer shell and at a finite distance away from the outer shell, and wherein the

at least one layer of fabric is composed of one or more ballistic material selected from a group consisting of aramid, polyethylene and phenylenebenzole.

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